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(Northern Branch)

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 3rd APRIL 1965.

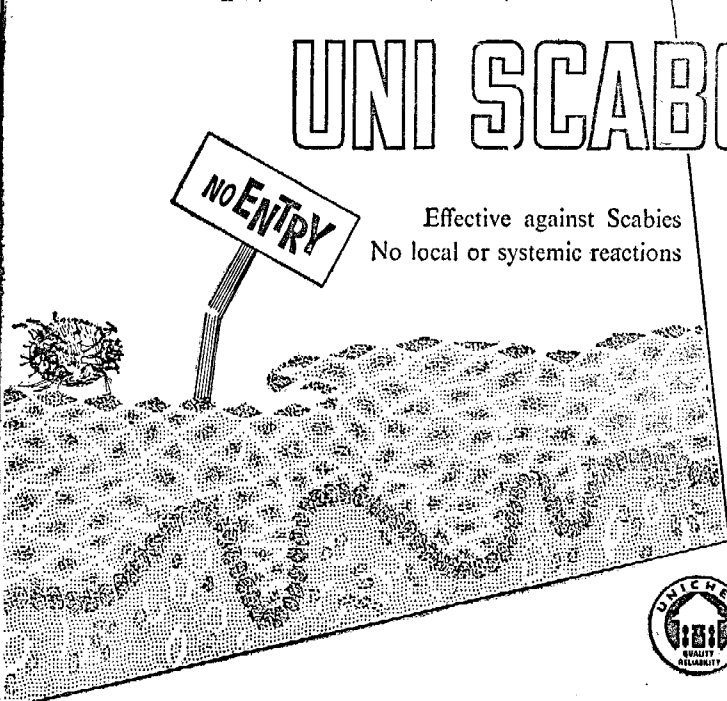
An ordinary meeting of the Indian Association of Dermatologists & Venereologists (Northern India Branch) was held on 3rd April, 1965 in the Nurses Lecture Theatre of Sir Ganga Ram Hospital, Rajinder Nagar, New Delhi-5. The total attendance was thirty. Dr. K. N. Saxena from Agra and Dr. K. C. Verma from Rohtak attended this meeting.

The meeting was called to order at 4 p. m. by the President Dr. K. N. Saxena. The minutes of the last meeting were read out by the Hony. Secretary, Dr. B. M. S. Bedi and confirmed. Dr. Saxena then introduced to the members the guest speaker, Dr. C. M. Hasselman, Professor Director of Clinic for Skin and Venereal Diseases, Erlangen, West Germany. He also welcomed Dr. Erik A. Knudsen Dermato-Venereologist from Finsion Institute Copenhagen Denmark, who while on his tour of the country was good enough to attend this meeting.

Thereafter, Prof. Hasselman spoke on the subject of Differential Diagnosis of Skin ulceration and tumours of the skin. The talk was profusely illustrated by large number of coloured slides and was highly instructive. It was widely appreciated by the members and a lively discussion followed, when many important points were discussed. The meeting came to a close with a hearty vote of thanks to Prof. Hasselman by the President on behalf of the Association.

The members were then entertained to sumptuous tea by the host member, Dr. D. R. Khurana.


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IN MEMORIUM
Prof. ALFRED MARCHIONINI

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By the death of Prof. Alfred Machionini M. D. on the 6th April 1965, the world has lost one of its most distinguished and popular dermatologists. Prof. Machionini died of leukemia. He was 66 years old and died in harness. Until last few weeks of his passing away, he was working as the Director of the University Skin Hospital of the Munich University.

He was born in Königsberg (now in Eastern Germany). He had lost his father during his childhood. He studied medicine in Freiburg. He had worked with Prof. Jadassohn, Unna and Nekam. Due to the Nazi regime, Dr. Alfred Machionini had to leave Germany for political reasons. During this period he was working as the head of the Skin Clinic at Ankara in Turkey. In the year 1947, he returned back to Germany. In 1950 he was offered Directorship of the Munich University Skin Hospital. During 1954/55, Munich University elected him as Rector Magnificus. In the year 1958, the Vienna University also elected him as Rector Magnificus but Prof. A. Marchionini did not accept this offer.

Dr. Machionini was a humorous and generous personality. He used to have fatherly attitude towards foreigners taking post-graduate training in his world-famous institute. In his regime, Munich University Skin Clinic was full of enthusiasm and devotion towards dermatology. All the interspecialities of dermatology e. g. dermato-radiology, dermato-history, dermato-histochemistry, dermato-virology and cosmetic surgery were very well-developed. During his days, Munich was in the real sense the Mecca of Dermatologists all over the world.

Prof. Marchionini was indeed a roving ambassador of Dermatology. He had many trips to foreign countries for attending Dermatology Congresses and meetings. He held honorary membership of 40 foreign dermatological societies including one of Indian Association of Dermatology and Venereology. He had attended and taken active part in our Fourth Annual Conference held in Bombay, in February 1962. He was M. D. honoris causa of the Strasburg University and was the founder publisher of the dermatology journal 'Der Hautarzt'. The gigantic series of the Jadassohn's Hand Book of Skin & Venereal diseases will always remain as his unforgettable monument.

Prof. Marchionini was a brilliant teacher, a devoted research worker and able administrator. He is well known for his researches on correlating sociology, ethnology and dermatology as well as for his acid mantle.

Prof. Marchionini, due to his qualities of head and heart, was a very respected figure at the international level. In 1962, at the XII International Congress of